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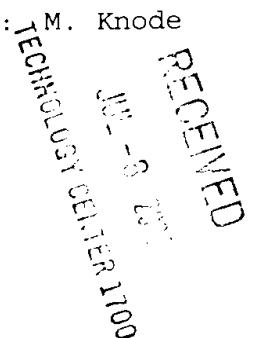
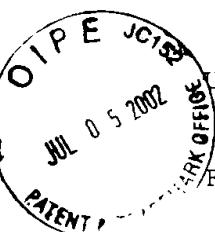
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In compliance with the applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56, the attached form and documents indicate information of which the applicant has recently become aware which may be relevant to the above-identified application.

The information is in the form of references which have been cited in a corresponding Office Action from the European Patent Office (EPO) as a foreign counterpart application to the present application.

Copies of the EPO Communication and Search Report are enclosed. The relevance of the references will be apparent from the EPO Search Report and Y and A indications thereon, which satisfy the requirement for a concise statement of relevance according to the U.S. Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. Further, in the case of the German (DE) citation, an abstract from the esp@cenet database has been enclosed for



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The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the references by initialing the attached Information Disclosure Citation form (PTO-1449) and returning a copy thereof to the applicant.

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<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
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		4,516,510	05/14/1985	Basic, Sr.			
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<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
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						YES	NO
	0 543 480	05/26/1993	EP			✓	
	0 287 534	10/19/1988	EP				
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	39 41 636	06/28/1990	DE				
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